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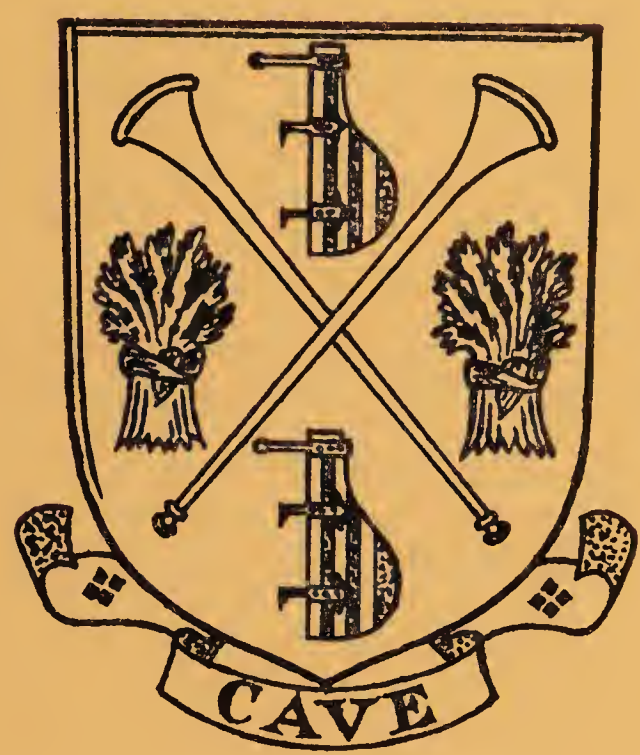


# ANNUAL REPORT

of the

## MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

including the report of the

## SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR THE YEAR 1966

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THE PRIORY,
WARE,
HERTS

# WARE URBAN DISTRICT.

## Annual Report on the Health of the District for the year 1966.

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# EAST HERTFORDSHIRE COMBINED DISTRICTS
# REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
# FOR THE YEAR 1966.

## W A R E  U R B A N  D I S T R I C T

## P R E F A C E

To the Chairman and Councillors, Ware Urban District,

Mr. Chairman, Madam and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report upon the health of the Urban District of Ware for the year ending 31st December, 1966.

Ware continues to expand with a population figure reaching 13,150 by mid-1966, an increase of 280 over the 1965 figure. This increase is, however, only approximately one half of that of 1965 and once again the Credit Squeeze with resultant curtailment in building must be held responsible.

The general health of the population has continued to be excellent with Measles and Whooping Cough being the only two infectious diseases notified and these giving the remarkably low figures of 48 and 5 respectively. The total number of births and deaths continues to approximate closely to that of previous years.

In my preface to last year's report I commented at some length upon the burden of work imposed upon Mr. Lucas, the Chief Public Health Inspector, and the reasons for this. I am happy to state that in 1966 conditions have been considerably eased. The first reason for this was the appointment on the 1st February, 1966 of Mr. W.G. Todd as Additional Public Health Inspector who came to us from Nottingham County Borough. Mr. Todd resigned on the 31st August for private reasons, but was reappointed on the 1st November. In welcoming him to Ware I am glad to say that his presence has considerably eased the burden placed on Mr. Lucas's shoulders.

The second reason is that on the 1st December the Council was fortunate in obtaining the services of an experienced Meat Inspector, Mr. Luck, who had long service in a similar appointment in Birkenhead. The advent of Mr. Luck has had the result of relieving Mr. Lucas and Mr. Todd of much of the time consuming work of meat inspection and thus enabling them to carry out more effectively their many other statutory duties regarding the health of the community.

A third factor in easing the onerous duties of meat inspection has been an agreement reached between the Urban District Council and the Ware Meat Supplies, arising from the Meat Inspection (Amendment) Regulations, 1966 which came into effect on the 30th September. These Regulations enabled Local Authorities to restrict the hours of slaughter in any private slaughterhouse and as a result of this agreement, the excessive hours put in by the Council's inspectors have been curtailed.

I am glad to be able to report this fortunate outcome for, as I stated in last year's report, the combination of increasing legislation and the continuing growth of the town, enlarges the normal duties and statutory obligations of the Public Health Inspectors.

I have much pleasure in acknowledging the continuing support I have had from the Public Health Committee and the Council in the work of this Department. I wish to thank Mr. Lucas, Mr. Todd and Mr. Luck for their meticulous standard of work and I gratefully acknowledge the assistance I have received from the other Chief Officers and their staff.

I am Mr. Chairman, Madam and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

GORDON M. FRIZELLE

Medical Officer of Health.

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Certificate of the R.S.I. and S.I.E.J. Board.
Diploma for Inspectors of Meat and Other Foods.
Smoke Inspector's Certificate.

Additional Public Health Inspector W.G. TODD
Certificate of the R.S.I. and S.I.E.J. Board.
Diploma for Inspectors of Meat and Other Foods.
Diploma (Hons.) in Hygiene (Royal Inst. Public Health and Hygiene).
Certificate of the Royal Inst. of Public Health and Hygiene.
Appointed 1.2.66. - resigned 31.8.66. - re-appointed 1.11.66.

Meat Inspector W.H. LUCK
Meat and Other Foods Certificate (Liverpool).
Diploma in Food Hygiene.
R.S.H. Meat Inspectors Certificate.
Appointed 1.12.66.

Public Health Department:

Council Offices,
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Telephone:- Ware 2425

Typing assistance to the Public Health Department
Mrs. S. Daniels was appointed as a part-time joint typist to the Health Dept., and Housing Dept., with effect from 16th May, 1966.

### PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE

The Chairman of the Public Health and Public Works Committee for the session 1966/7 was Councillor Dr. J.W.E. Fellows.

Also on the Committee were Councillors Mrs. M.A. Davenport and Mrs. E.K. Barker, and Councillors Messrs. F.H. Beazley, J.C. Collar (Vice-chairman), C.W. Bowsher, N.G. Murphy and J. Sutcliffe.

## SECTION A

## GENERAL STATISTICS 1966

(Table 1)

(Figures for 1965 are shown in brackets)

### POPULATION

Estimated Mid Year Population of Ware Urban District

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 13,150 | (12,870) | |
| Natural increase or decrease | ... ... | + 132 |
| Migration in or out | ... ... | + 148 |
| Total increase or decrease | ... ... | + 280 |

### GENERAL STATISTICS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Area in acres | ... ... | 1,385.38 |

Number of Inhabitated Houses according to Rate Books:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 4,200 | (4,161) | |
| Number of Houses per acre | ... ... | 3.03 |
| Number of Persons per acre | ... ... | 9.49 |
| Number of Persons per house | ... ... | 3.13 |
| Rateable Value of District | ... ... | £726,854 |
| Sum represented by a Penny Rate | ... ... | £3,090 |

## VITAL STATISTICS

( Table 2 )

Figures for 1965 are shown in brackets

| LIVE BIRTHS | Male | | Female | | Total | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Legitimate | 160 | (161) | 161 | (151) | 321 | (312) |
| Illegitimate | 7 | (2) | 4 | (3) | 11 | (5) |
| Total Live Births | 167 | (163) | 165 | (154) | 332 | (317) |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Live Birth Rate per 1,000 population | 25.24 | (24.70) |
| Area Comparability Factor for Births | 0.95 | (0.95) |
| Standardised Live Birth Rate per 1,000 population | 23.97 | (23.46) |
| Illegitimate Live Births per cent of total live births | 3.31 | (1.57) |

| STILL BIRTHS | Male | | Female | | Total | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Legitimate | 6 | (3) | 1 | (2) | 7 | (5) |
| Illegitimate | - | (-) | - | (-) | - | (-) |
| Total Still Births | 6 | (3) | 1 | (2) | 7 | (5) |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Still Births rate per 1,000 total live and still births | 20.65 | (15.52) |

| TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS | Male | | Female | | Total | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Legitimate | 166 | (164) | 162 | (153) | 328 | (317) |
| Illegitimate | 7 | (2) | 4 | (3) | 11 | (5) |
| Total Live and Still Births | 173 | (166) | 166 | (156) | 339 | (322) |

| COMPARISON RATES | Ware Urban District | Hertford County | England & Wales |
|---|---|---|---|
| Live Birth Rate | 25.24 | 17.3 | 17.7 |
| Area Comparability Factor | 0.95 | 0.9 | |
| Standardised Birth Rate | 23.97 | 16.3 | |
| Still Births Rate | 20.65 | 11.7 | 15.4 |

Vital Statistics
Table 2 Continued

| INFANT DEATHS | Males | Females | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Infants under one week, total | 1 (1) | 4 (1) | 5 (2) |
| Legitimate | - (1) | 4 (1) | 4 (2) |
| Illegitimate | 1 (-) | - (-) | 1 (-) |
| Infants under four weeks, total | 1 (1) | 4 (2) | 5 (3) |
| Legitimate | - (1) | 4 (2) | 4 (3) |
| Illegitimate | 1 (-) | - (-) | 1 (-) |
| Infants under one year, total | 1 (4) | 4 (2) | 5 (6) |
| Legitimate | - (4) | 4 (2) | 4 (6) |
| Illegitimate | 1 (-) | - (-) | 1 (-) |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES | | |
|---|---|---|
| Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 total live births, Total | 15.06 | (18.92) |
| Legitimate Infant Deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births | 12.46 | (19.23) |
| Illegitimate Infant Deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births | 90.9 | (NIL) |
| Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths of infants under four weeks per 1,000 total live births) | 15.06 | (9.46) |
| Early Neo-Natal Mortality Rate (deaths of infants under one week per 1,000 total live births) | 15.06 | (6.30) |
| Perinatal Mortality Rate (still-births and deaths of infants under one week combined - per 1,000 total live and still births) | 35.39 | (21.73) |

Vital Statistics
Table 2 Continued

MATERNAL DEATHS

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Maternal Deaths, including abortion | | 1 | (NIL) |
| Maternal Mortality Rate per 1,000 live and still births | | 2.95 | (-) |

DEATHS (Total)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Deaths of all ages | Males | 97 | (106) |
| | Females | 103 | (95) |
| | Total | 200 | (201) |
| Death Rate per 1,000 population | | 15.20 | (15.61) |
| Area Comparability Factor for Deaths | | 0.59 | (0.57) |
| Standardised Death Rate per 1,000 population | | 8.96 | (8.89) |

COMPARISON RATES

| | Ware Urban District | Hertford County | England & Wales |
|---|---|---|---|
| Infant Mortality Rate | 15.06 | 13.9 | 19.00 |
| Legitimate | 12.46 | 13.5 | |
| Illegitimate | 90.9 | 20.7 | |
| Neo-Natal Mortality Rate | 15.06 | 9.3 | 12.9 |
| Early Neo-Natal Mortality Rate | 15.06 | 7.9 | 11.1 |
| Perinatal Mortality Rate | 35.39 | 19.5 | 26.3 |
| Maternal Mortality Rate | 2.95 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| Death Rate | 15.20 | 9.1 | 11.7 |
| Area Comparability Factor | 0.57 | 1.1 | |
| Standardised Death Rate | 8.96 | 10.1 | |

## TABLE 3

## CAUSES OF DEATH DURING THE YEAR 1966

| Line No. | | M. | F. |
|---|---|---|---|
| | ALL CAUSES ... ... ... ... ... | 97 | 103 |
| 1. | Tuberculosis, respiratory ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| 2. | Tuberculosis, other ... ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| 3. | Syphilitic disease ... ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| 4. | Diphtheria ... ... ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| 5. | Whooping Cough ... ... ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| 6. | Meningococcal infections ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| 7. | Acute Poliomyelitis ... ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| 8. | Measles ... ... ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| 9. | Other infective and parasitic diseases ... | 0 | 0 |
| 10. | Malignant neoplasm, Stomach ... ... ... | 2 | 1 |
| 11. | " " Lung, Bronchus ... ... | 4 | 2 |
| 12. | " " Breast ... ... ... | 0 | 2 |
| 13. | " " Uterus ... ... ... | 0 | 2 |
| 14. | Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms ... | 12 | 4 |
| 15. | Leukaemia, aleukaemia ... ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| 16. | Diabetes ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | 0 |
| 17. | Vascular lesions of nervous system ... ... | 24 | 27 |
| 18. | Coronary disease, angina ... ... ... | 17 | 14 |
| 19. | Hypertension with Heart Disease ... ... | 1 | 1 |
| 20. | Other Heart Disease ... ... ... ... | 3 | 12 |
| 21. | Other Circulatory Disease ... ... ... | 4 | 4 |
| 22. | Influenza ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | 0 |
| 23. | Pneumonia ... ... ... ... ... | 3 | 6 |
| 24. | Bronchitis ... ... ... ... ... | 10 | 9 |
| 25. | Other Diseases of Respiratory System ... | 2 | 1 |
| 26. | Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum ... ... | 2 | 1 |
| 27. | Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| 28. | Nephritis and nephrosis ... ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| 29. | Hyperplasia of Prostate ... ... ... | 2 | 0 |
| 30. | Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion ... ... | 0 | 1 |
| 31. | Congenital Malformations ... ... ... | 0 | 1 |
| 32. | Other defined and ill-defined diseases ... | 6 | 11 |
| 33. | Motor Vehicle Accidents ... ... ... | 2 | 2 |
| 34. | All other accidents ... ... ... | 1 | 1 |
| 35. | Suicide ... ... ... ... ... | 0 | 1 |
| 36. | Homicide and operations of war ... ... | 0 | 0 |
| (a) | Still Births ... ... ... ... ... | 6 | 1 |
| (b) | Deaths of infants under four weeks of age | 1 | 4 |
| (c) | Deaths of infants four weeks to one year of age | 0 | 0 |

## TABLE 4

## PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES

### Notifiable Disease (Other than Tuberculosis) Notified during the year

| | | Age Group in Years | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Under 1 | 1- | 5- | 15- | 25- | Over 65 | Age not known |
| Disease | Total | | | | | | | |
| Measles | 48 | 1 | 34 | 11 | 2 | - | - | - |
| Whooping Cough | 5 | 1 | 3 | 1 | - | - | - | - |

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### Incidence of Infectious Disease by Months:

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Measles | March | 1 | May | 4 | July | 1 |
| | August | 3 | November | 20 | December | 19 |
| Whooping Cough | February | 2 | July | 2 | December | 1 |

No cases of Food Poisoning were notified.

## TABLE 4 (Continued)

## Tuberculosis Notifications during 1966

The year commenced with 65 names upon the Register, as follows:-

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Males: | Pulmonary 32 | Non-Pulmonary 2 |
| Females: | Pulmonary 27 | Non-Pulmonary 4 |

During the year no pulmonary cases were notified. One female non-pulmonary case moved into the district. A total of one case was therefore added to the register.

One female pulmonary case recovered, and one male pulmonary case left the district.

Two cases were thus removed from the register, leaving the number of cases at the end of the year reduced by one.

At the end of 1966 the following cases remained upon the register:-

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Males: | Pulmonary 31 | Non-Pulmonary 2 |
| Females: | Pulmonary 26 | Non-Pulmonary 5 |

Total 64 cases

## GENERAL STATISTICS

The population figures have continued to rise with the mid-year figure for 1966 being 13,150 as compared with 12,870 for 1965, this being an overall increase of 280. The natural increase was 132 and the inward migration 148.

The number of inhabitated houses rose from 4,161 to 4,200. The number of houses per acre 3.00 to 3.03, the number of persons per acre from 9.28 to 9.49 and the number of persons per house from 3.09 to 3.13.

## VITAL STATISTICS

The legitimate live births rose from 312 to 321 whilst the illegitimate births increased from 5 to 11. The live birth rate per 1,000 population increased from 24.70 to 25.24 compared with the County rate of 17.3 and the rate for England and Wales of 17.7.

The still births rose from 5 to 7 - there being no illegitimate still births - giving a still birth rate of 20.65 compared with the County rate of 11.7 and the national rate of 15.4.

The infant deaths fell from 6 to 5 giving an infant mortality rate of 15.06 compared with 18.92 the previous year.

Deaths at all ages numbered 200 compared with 201 in 1965. These 201 deaths included one maternal death. This gave a death rate of 15.20 per 1,000 population, the 1965 figure being 15.61. The comparable figures for the County were 9.1 and for England and Wales 11.7.

## CAUSES OF DEATH

As is usual the chief cause of death was disease of the heart and blood vessels which accounted for 56 fatalities (69 in 1965). This amounted to 28 per cent of the total. Of these, 31 or 15.5 per cent were due to coronary disease and of these 31, 25 were over the age of 55, including 13 over the age of 75.

The second commonest cause was cerebro-vascular disease, the number here amounting to 51, or 25.5 per cent of the total. Here again the great preponderance of cases were in the more advanced age groups, 41 being over 75.

Deaths from all forms of Malignant disease rose from 28 to 29, of which 6 were due to Cancer of the Lung. There were no deaths due to Leukaemia.

Bronchitis accounted for 19 deaths, but the lower age groups were little affected, as 15 occurred over the age of 75. Pneumonia was responsible for 9 deaths of which 2 were between 65 and 75 and 7 over 75.

The one maternal death occurred in a young woman of 25 and was due to a Pulmonary Embolism.

There were 4 deaths due to motor vehicle accidents and 2 other accidental deaths, 1 by drowning, the other because of Pulmonary Embolism following an unidentifiable injury. The 1 suicide was caused by Barbiturate Poisoning.

The 5 deaths in infants under 1 year of age all happened in infants under the age of 1 week. 3 were due to Prematurity, 1 to a Congenital defect and 1 to Foetal Asphyxia.

It is interesting to note that 125 out of the 200 deaths or 62.5 per cent occurred at the age of 75 or over.

## INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The incidence of infectious disease during the year was negligible, there being only 48 reported cases of Measles and 5 of Whooping Cough.

## TUBERCULOSIS

The cases recorded in the register fell by 1 during 1966 with a total figure of 64 of which 57 were Pulmonary and 7 Non-Pulmonary.

## MASS X-RAY

The mass X-ray unit paid its customary triennial visit to the Priory Grounds and two industrial centres during July. A total number of 2,513 persons was X-rayed compared with 2,640 in 1963. Out of all these only 8 were found to be suffering from Pulmonary Tuberculosis, but 11 other conditions were discovered including Carcinoma of the Lung, Congenital abnormalities of the Heart and Blood Vessels and also of the Diaphragm and Oesophagus and infections of the Lungs.

Some points from the Annual Report of the Medical Director of this unit for the year 1965 were brought to the notice of the Public Health Committee, notably his comments on the future of Mass Radiography. Out of 62,158 examinations covering an area from Stepney and Dagenham in the south, Enfield and Wood Green in the west, Chigwell and Ongar in the east to Hertford and Bishops Stortford in the north, only 56 significant cases of Tuberculosis were discovered with the highest incidence in the middle aged and elderly age groups. 62 cases of Intrathoracic Malignant disease were found of which 54 were Pulmonary Carcinoma.

The Director in considering the future of Mass Radiography said "it is really a question of considering how M.M.R. can best play a part in providing a comprehensive chest radiology service on a regional basis to ensure that the various specialist groups, in particular General Practitioner referred cases, can be easily examined. There are in addition certain interesting possibilities such as the regular examination of males in the Carcinoma age group, a project on which much information is coming to light. It has also been suggested in some quarters that there is a place for M.M.R. as part of a wider "Screening" Organisation which will attempt to detect other pathological conditions outside the chest. It may be that redeployment to provide a regular service for special groups of one kind or another in local areas, where this does not already exist, would be worth consideration, rather than continuing extensive cover for large numbers of healthy people".

This does not mean that there is to be a cessation of existing service in the near future but does show that thought is being given to the best possible means of modifying the present expensive and extensive service with a view to giving cover to these whose need is greatest.

ANTHRAX

It is not a common occurrence to come across cases of Anthrax, but a death from this disease was reported in a heifer on a local farm. The diagnosis was later confirmed by laboratory tests. According to customary practice, the carcass was burnt and no further cases were reported. The human contacts were advised to obtain prophylactic injections of Penicillin from their own doctors.

FOOD HYGIENE

This is of special concern to the Public Health Department and a vigilant eye is kept on all food handling departments, school and other canteens. The Chief Public Health Inspector's report gives details of action taken during the year.

For the third successive year there were no reported cases of food poisoning.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACTS, 1948 and 1951

Once more no action was required under these Acts.

MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR IMMIGRANTS

These arrangements were reported upon at some length last year and their implementation requires the expenditure of time and patience by the Public Health Inspector, though fortunately not as great as is necessary in other districts.

## BUILDING

During the year the Council built 34 houses and 96 were built by private enterprise.

## SPECIAL REPORTS

Special reports were made to the Public Health Committee on the Food Hygiene (Markets, Stalls and Delivery Vehicles) Regulations, 1966, on the national position relating to Brucellosis, and on the Annual Conference of the Royal Institute of Public Health and Hygiene.

## SECTION B

## GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR WARE

### LABORATORY SERVICES

Laboratory facilities are provided by the Public Health Laboratory Service at Cambridge.

In emergency, medical specimens may be examined at the Laboratory of the County Hospital, Hertford.

### COUNTY COUNCIL HEALTH AND WELFARE SERVICES

The following County Council Services under the National Health Service Acts 1946-1957 are available for Ware. Full details can be obtained from the County Medical Officer, County Hall, Hertford.

#### Home Nursing, Midwifery, Health Visiting and Welfare Centres

Number of Nurses: 3 Welfare Centres: 1

#### Vaccinations against Smallpox, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Tetanus and Poliomyelitis

Babies can be immunised against the above named diseases at the Welfare Centre and similar facilities are provided by the family doctors. It is strongly urged that adults should avail themselves of the Protection afforded against Poliomyelitis.

#### Home and Domestic Help

Applications for this Service should be addressed to the Local Organiser at 27 Bull Plain, Hertford (Telephone: Hertford 3232).

A charge may be made for this Service, in accordance with the County Council's Assessment scale.

#### Care and After Care

Applications for recuperative holidays, if recommended by the Medical Attendant, should be made to the County Medical Officer.

Equipment such as mackintosh sheet, crutches and wheel chairs can be issued on loan to patients being nursed at home and a weekly charge is made according to the financial circumstances of the patient. Applications should be made to Mr. A.C. Trundle, 57 High Oak Road, Ware.

Ambulance Service

An Ambulance Station adjoins the Priory Grounds. Except in emergency an ambulance should be ordered by a Medical Practitioner.

## SOCIAL WORK UNIT

Divisional Welfare and Mental Health field staff, a Social Work unit has been established at:-

1 Queens Road,
Hertford. (Tel. 3145 and 5875).

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Miss M.M. Watson | | (Social Worker - Mental Health) |
| Mrs. P. Page | | " |
| Mrs. S.M. Elford | x | " |
| Mrs. R. Luckman | - | " |
| Mrs. M. Huish | - | " |
| Mr. J. Gray | | " |

x Also at Sub-office, Health Centre, Rye Park, Hoddesdon (65410).

- Also at Sub-office, Health Centre, Market Sq. Bishop's Stortford (B.S. 2743).

MR. R.C. LINGHAM - DIVISIONAL WELFARE OFFICER.

MR. K.R. COCKMAN - ASSISTANT D.W.O.

MRS. J.E. WRIGHT - SOCIAL WORKER (WELFARE)

For compulsory removals to Hospital under the Mental Health Act, in the East Herts area:-

During office hours - please telephone the Social Work Unit. (Hertford 3145 and 5875).

Outside office hours - the present arrangements remain unchanged i.e.

Home telephone numbers - Mr. R.C. Lingham - Hatfield 4151
Mr. K.R. Cockman - Hoddesdon 62542
Mrs. J.E. Wright - Hertford 4361

and if no reply obtainable, ring the Hertford Ambulance Control. (Hertford 2222)

Premises at Collett Road, Ware are occupied by:

Miss D. Taylor (Social Worker - Blind) Tel. Ware 2541
Miss P.M. Watson ( " " - Physically Handicapped).

An Occupation Centre for defective children has been established at Hertford.

## HOSPITAL SERVICES

Ware is served chiefly by the Hertford County Hospital, Hertford.

Chronic sick can receive treatment at Western House Hospital, Collett Road, Ware.

Western House also provides beds under part III of the National Assistance Act, 1948 on behalf of the County Council.

Patients suffering from Infectious Disease are treated either at St. Ann's Hospital, Tottenham or South Lodge Hospital, World's End Lane, N.21.

## GENERAL PRACTITIONER MEDICAL SERVICES

Seven doctors practise in Ware.

## DENTAL SERVICES

There are two Dental Surgeons in Ware.

## OTHER SERVICES

~~There is a Mortuary managed by the Council.~~

Blood Transfusion Donor Sessions are held at The Priory.

There is a very active Old People's Welfare Service in Ware.

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## SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

## REPORT OF THE SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

## For the year 1966

The Priory,
Ware, Herts.,

To the Chairman and Members of the
WARE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Mr. Chairman, Madam and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting my thirty-first annual report.

Mr. W.G. Todd, additional public health inspector began his services with the Council on the 1st February, 1966, resigned with effect from the 31st August, 1966 and resumed duty on the 1st November, 1966 following his re-appointment when only one other application was received compared with four, ten months earlier.

Mr. W.H. Luck commenced his full time appointment as authorised meat inspector on the 1st December, 1966.

In addition to the 40 weeks lost man hours since July, 1965, the prolonged pressure of work has adversely affected the maintenance of office records. The slight progress made with the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963, should show considerable advances when events for 1967 are reviewed and it is expected that other aspects of our work will have similarly benefited.

My thanks are due to the Medical Officer of Health for his beneficient influence on the department's affairs. My sincere appreciation goes also to the Council's senior officers and their staffs for their continuing co-operation.

I thank you Mr. Chairman and all members of the Council for their interest and support in the department's activities and especially for the increase in the establishment this year.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Madam and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

C.J. LUCAS,

Senior Public Health Inspector.

STATISTICAL RECORDS

1966

SUMMARY OF VISITS

| Public Health Act, 1936 | | | No. of Visits |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sec. | 24 | Cleansing and maintenance of sewers | 36 |
| " | 39 | Drainage of existing buildings | 14 |
| " | 45 | Defective closets capable of repair | 1 |
| " | 48 | Examination and testing of drains (as amended by Sec.16 of P.A.A. 1961) | - |
| " | 51 | Care of closets | 1 |
| " | 56 | Yards and passages to be paved and drained | - |
| " | 75 | Regulation dustbins | - |
| " | 83/4 | Cleansing filthy or verminous premises and articles | 17 |
| " | 83/4 | Inspection of houses of prospective Council tenants and at changes in tenancies of Council houses | 118 |
| " | 87 | Public sanitary conveniences | - |
| " | 89 | Sanitary conveniences at inns, refreshment houses etc., | - |
| " | 92 | Statutory nuisances | |
| | | (a) Premises in such a state etc., | 29 |
| | | (b) Animals kept in such place or manner | 3 |
| | | (c) Any accumulation or deposit | 9 |
| | | (d) Any dust or effluvia caused by trade, business, manufacture or process - being prejudicial to health or a nuisance | 11 |
| | | (e) Effluvium caused by trade | 10 |
| " | 144 | Infectious Disease enquiries (Contacts Smallpox) | 4 |
| " | 259 | Nuisances in connection with watercourses, ditches and ponds etc., | - |
| " | 268 | Nuisances from sheds | 2 |
| **Local Government Act, 1933** | | | |
| Sec. | 249 | Byelaws for good rule and government Byelaw 10 - Dogs fouling footways | - |
| **Clean Air Act, 1956** | | | |
| Secs. | 1 & 16 | Prohibition of dark smoke and smoke nuisances | 19 |
| **Water Act, 1945** | | | |
| Sec. | 28 | Duty of local authority with respect to water supplies | 3 |
| | | C/Fwd. | 277 |

| | | | No. of Visits |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | B/Fwd. | 277 |
| **Public Health Act, 1961** | | | |
| Sec. | 17 | Summary power to remedy stopped up drains | - |
| " | 19 | Disconnection of unused drains | - |
| " | 22 | Power to cleanse or repair drains on application | - |
| " | 23 | Loan of temporary sanitary conveniences | 4 |
| " | 74 | Pigeons in built up areas | 3 |
| **National Assistance Act, 1948** | | | |
| Sec. | 47 | Old Peoples Welfare | 3 |
| **National Health Service Act, 1946** | | | |
| | | Long stay immigrants | 10 |
| **Noise Abatement Act, 1960** | | | |
| Sec. | 1 | Noise or vibration nuisance | 63 |
| **Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960** | | | |
| Sec. | 1 | Prohibition and use of land as a caravan site without licence | 7 |
| **Unclassified** visits | | | 16 |
| | | Official search | 3 |
| **Housing Act, 1957** | | | |
| Sec. | 3 | Duty of local authority to cause inspections to be made - inspections recorded in accordance with regulations. (No. of houses inspected 2). | 5 |
| " | 9 | Repair of unfit houses | 5 |
| " | 86 | Particulars of overcrowding | 5 |
| **Housing Act, 1964** | | | |
| Sec. | 14 | Survey of houses for improvement (No. of houses inspected 3) | 4 |
| **Food and Drugs Act, 1955** | | | |
| Sec. | 2 | General protection for purchasers of food and drugs (i.e. not of the nature, substance or quality demanded) | 7 |
| " | 9 | Examination and seizure of unfit food, excluding inspections at slaughterhouse | 47 |
| | | C/Fwd. | 459 |

| | | | No. of Visits |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | B/Fwd. | 459 |

Food and Drugs Act, 1955 (Cont)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sec. | 13 | Regulations made thereunder | |
| | | (a) The Meat Inspection Regulations 1963 | 647 |
| | | (b) The Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960 | |
| | | (i) Food, food premises and personnel thereat | 41 |
| | | (ii) Stalls and vehicles | 4 |
| | | (iii) Meat transport | 2 |
| | | (c) The Ice Cream (Heat Treatment etc.,) Regulations, 1959 | 2 |
| " | 18 | Registration of premises under Section 16 of the Act | 17 |
| " | 63 | Applications for renewal of slaughterhouse licence subject to compliance with the construction regulations of the Slaughterhouses (Hygiene) Regulations, 1958 and the Slaughter of Animals (Prevention of Cruelty) Regulations, 1958 as required by Section 1 of the Slaughterhouses Act, 1958 | 1 |
| | | The Slaughterhouses (Hygiene) Regulations, 1958 - 1966 | 5 |
| | | The Meat (Staining and Sterilization) Regulations, 1960 | 6 |

Factories Act, 1961

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sec. | 7 | Sanitary Conveniences | |
| | | (a) Factories | 3 |
| | | (b) Building Operations (as applied by section 127, sub-section (2) (a) | - |

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sec. | 2 | Duty of Local Authority - sub-section (a) Inspection of district. (Rodent Operative's visits are given in separate report). | 78 |

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sec. | 49 | Notification of fact of employment of persons | 25 |
| | | Number of visits to premises | 89 |
| | | Total | 1379 |

## COMPLAINTS RECEIVED

| | |
|---|---|
| General | 132 |
| Rats and mice | 57 |

## NOTICES SERVED

### Informal

### Public Health Act, 1936

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sec. | 24 | Recovery of costs maintaining sewers | 12 |
| " | 39 | Repair and cleansing of drains prejudicial to health or a nuisance (Sub-section (c)) | 1 |
| " | 51 | Care of closets | 1 |
| " | 83/4 | Cleansing of filthy premises and articles | 6 |
| " | 92 | Premises in such a state as to be prejudicial to health or a nuisance (Sub-section (a)) | 6 |
| | | Any accumulation or deposit (Sub-section (c)) | 4 |
| | | Any dust or effluvia caused by any trade, business, manufacture or process (Sub-section (d)) | 2 |
| " | 140 | Restriction of use of water from polluted well | 1 |
| " | 144 | Sub-section (1) (a) Homeworkers notified of obligation to notify M.O.H. of disease | 8 |

### Clean Air Act, 1956

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sec. | 1 | Emission of dark smoke from bakehouse | 1 |
| " | 16 | Bonfire smoke | 1 |

### Noise Abatement Act, 1960

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sec. | 1 | Noise or vibration nuisance | 6 |

### Food and Drugs Act, 1955

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sec. | 13 | Regulations made thereunder | |
| | | The Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960 | |
| | | Regulation 5 Food business carried on at insanitary premises | 1 |
| | " | 6(1) Lack of cleanliness of equipment | 2 |
| | " | 8(a) Food placed to involve risk of contamination (fur and feather) | 2 |
| | " | 16(2) Running hot water required | 2 |
| | " | 23(1) Walls and ceilings needing cleansing | 2 |

The Slaughterhouse (Hygiene) Regulations

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Regulation 27(a) | Prevention of infestation by flies | 1 |
| Regulations | Proposals for repair and improvements pending renewal of licence | 1 |

The Meat (Staining and Sterilization) Regulations

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Regulation 4 | Removal of unfit meat without sterilization | 1 |

The Meat Inspection Regulations, 1963

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Regulation 11 | Notice to local authority and marking of carcases placed in cold storage (C. Bovis) | 2 |

Factories Act, 1961

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Sec. 133 | Sub-section (2) Outworkers - notifications to other local authorities | 12 |

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sec. | 4 | Cleanliness of premises | 10 |
| " | 6 | Temperature | 12 |
| " | 7 | Ventilation | 11 |
| " | 8 | Lighting | 8 |
| " | 9 | Sanitary conveniences: | |
| | | (i) additional facilities | 1 |
| | | (ii) not separate for sexes | 4 |
| | | (iii) disposal of sanitary dressings | 1 |
| " | 10 | Washing facilities: | |
| | | (i) additional facilities | 5 |
| | | (ii) supply of hot and cold water | 6 |
| | | (iii) supply of soap and towels | 1 |
| " | 12 | Accommodation for clothing | 1 |
| | | Drying facilities | 6 |
| " | 13 | Seating arrangements | 1 |
| " | 16 | Floors, passages and stairs | 13 |
| " | 17 | Fencing of machinery | 4 |
| " | 24 | First Aid boxes | 12 |
| | | No abstract displayed | 20 |

STATUTORY NOTICES

Housing Act, 1957

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Sec. 16 | Time and place notice | 1 |

Letters

| | |
|---|---|
| Public Health Acts | 21 |
| Clean Air Act | 5 |
| Noise Abatement Act | 2 |
| Housing Act | 1 |
| Food and Drugs Act | 32 |
| Factories Act | 1 |
| Prevention of damage by Pests Act | 7 |
| Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act | 23 |
| Long Stay Immigrants | 4 |

## Water Supply

Most of the town is supplied by the Lee Valley Water Company from two wells sunk in chalk, one at Musley Lane, and the other at Musley Hill, the former being the main source of supply. The Highfields area, however, is supplied by a 6" main from Hertford. All these supplies are chlorinated.

All houses have an internal water supply.

## Quality

Frequent bacteriological samples of mains water taken from domestic premises in the district were satisfactory.

## Piped Supplies

Mains water is piped to sink taps in all but four cottages and a bungalow. Three wells serve the five premises and water is pumped to roof tanks in all five of them, and gravitates to sink taps. In one of these, a remote lock cottage, the water has to be hand pumped.

## Swimming Pool

The Council's swimming bath consists of a heated open air pool with paved surrounds and diving boards, and paddling pools. The buildings comprising offices, changing rooms, toilets and plant house were rebuilt in 1965. A light refreshment kiosk serves the pool and recreation ground.

Water which is drawn from the town mains is treated by break point chlorination and continuous pressurised sand filtration. The plant is designed to change the water every 6 hours. Renewals and overhauls to the plant were undertaken during the year.

Samples of water were taken every fourteen days during the season and proved satisfactory.

## Drainage and Sewerage

No major work has been undertaken during the year although sewers have been extended to deal with new development.

## Refuse Collection and Disposal

Refuse is collected weekly and tipped at the Wengeo Lane tip.

A pilot scheme for paper sack collection of refuse introduced in 1964 was extended and now covers 670 houses.

## Common Lodging Houses

No common lodging houses are registered within the district.

## PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS, 1936 - 1961

### Sewers, drains and sanitary conveniences

During the year the department dealt with eleven blocked sewers and two blocked drains which were cleared by the Council's men. Repeat blockages occurred only in one sewer serving eight houses.

Occupiers of three houses who failed to keep their closets in a satisfactory state were required to cleanse the W.C. pans and seats.

### Filthy or Verminous Premises and Articles

Bed bugs were last found at one house in 1965 and at another in 1960. Only one case of fleas was found during the year. On the rare occasions that fleas are found they are usually in the homes of aged people. Dirty bedding is more common and was found to be filthy in one instance.

### Nuisances

Sixteen complaints involving dampness due to defective roofs, gutters or other causes were investigated.

The Council's tip was kept free from flies during the year by spraying with Malathion and providing adequate earth to cover each day. Complaints were not made by the public during the year about the tip.

### Noise Abatement Act, 1960

Noise nuisances from two industrial plants (extractor fans) caused widespread nuisance at night. Signatures from 14 householders related to noise from an air conditioning plant. Another petition from 229 householders concerned noise and smell from the two large cyclones associated with cooling the animal food stuffs processed at a mill.

The services of a noise consultant were employed by the maltsters who said that alterations will be made before the plant is brought into action again next season. A considerable reduction of noise has been achieved at the mill. Both premises will be kept under surveillance.

Following the total enclosure of a dust extraction plant with elimination of nuisance therefrom it then became necessary to request like measures for another similar plant at the same factory.

## Clean Air Act, 1956

Work under the Act was restricted to the investigation of complaints regarding two factory chimneys. On three occasions excessive black smoke was emitted from a bakehouse chimneys and the adaptation of these coal fired side flue ovens to burn gas or oil is under consideration.

Smuts from the stacks of industrial premises burning fuel oil were also the subject of complaint. Dolomite has been in use at these works with a view to control over smut emission and on this complaint it was decided to try a finer graded product.

## Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960

Since the deposit of soil alongside the road through Walnut Tree Walk, caravans have not been sited in the gaps between the trees and local residents will again enjoy the undisturbed privacy of this pleasant retreat.

## Housing Acts

Three unfit houses were demolished; viz. 2 and 3 Francis Road and 62 Crib Street. Three houses were also demolished in the same area undergoing private development (viz. 30, 31 Princes Street and 60 Crib Street).

Following a representation of unfitness a time and place notice was served in respect of 9 Princes Street and this was purchased by the Council for inclusion in the area now under development.

Improvements were carried out to five houses.

## FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

### Meat Inspection

With the introduction of the power to control hours of slaughter in Regulation 3A of the Meat Inspection (Amendment) Regulations, 1966, the Council negotiated and secured an agreement with the directors of Ware Meat Supplies Ltd., determining the days and hours of slaughter at their slaughterhouse at Amwell End, Ware. Under this agreement animals may be slaughtered between the hours of 8.0 am. to 5.30 pm. on Monday to Thursday and between 8.0 am. to 12.0 noon on Friday and Saturday each week.

As and from the 31st October, 1966, all the carcases of animals slaughtered at the above premises have been inspected and stamped by the inspectorate and from the 1st December, 1966, the Council have employed for the first time a full time Authorised Officer for the examination of meat.

## Section 2 - General protection for purchasers of food and drugs

Four complaints concerning food were referred to the Weights and Measures Inspector at County Hall. (Snail in packet of peas; mouldy loaf; watered and tainted milk; broken glass in milk bottle).

Warning letters were sent to a confectionery firm regarding dusty cakes and to a local dairyman regarding internal stains in a milk bottle.

## Section 9 - Examination and seizure of suspected food

One butcher was prosecuted for selling 37 lbs. of imported beef which was unfit for human consumption by reason of decomposition. The company was fined £50.- and £20. costs by the local magistrates. The meat was seized at a school canteen.

During September the Council decided to instruct their Solicitors to take proceedings against a cafe proprietor for contraventions of Regulation 5 of the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960, but at the years end the hearing by the magistrates had not been fixed.

A few improvements were carried out at food premises during the year, but again the departments activities thereat were below normal.

## Section 16 - Registration of premises

Particulars of the number of premises on the register follow:-

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Section 16(1)(a) | For the sale or the manufacture for the purpose of sale, of ice cream, or the storage of ice cream intended for sale. | 31 |
| Section 16(1)(b). | For the preparation or manufacture of sausages or pickled food intended for sale. | 10 |
| Section 16(1)(b) | For the preparation or manufacture of preserved food intended for sale. | 4 |

One shop was newly registered for the sale and storage of ice-cream and for the cooking of hams.

## Frozen Food

Checks were made of the temperature of frozen food display cabinets at a supermarket with satisfactory results.

## Factories Act, 1961

Inspections have been far below average during the past two years, but this should be rectified next year.

# ANALYSIS OF UNFIT HOUSES

## CLEARANCE AREAS

| Area No. | Address | Date Declared | Occupation | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 29 | 91 High Street | 25.11.57. | Vacant | Demolished July, 1967. |
| | 93 High Street | " | Occupied | |
| 30 | 2 Church Street | 25.11.57. | Vacant | |
| | 3 Church Street | " | " | |
| | 4 Church Street | " | " | |
| | 5 Church Street | " | " | |

No. of houses (6)

## Closing Orders Made

| Address | Date | | Occupation |
|---|---|---|---|
| 32 Crib Street | 7.9.55. | | Vacant |
| 15 West Street | 7.9.55. | | Storage only |
| 16 West Street | 7.9.55. | | Workshop |
| 41 Priory Street | 9.12.63. | Council purchased 15.6.64. | Vacant |

No. of houses (4)

## Undertakings not to relet accepted

| Address | Date | | Occupation |
|---|---|---|---|
| 20a Baldock Street | 28.1.63. | | Occupied |
| 41 Baldock Street | 2.11.64. | | Vacant |
| 36 Baldock Street | 3.4.55. | H.C.C. purchased for relief road. | Vacant |
| 1 Monkey Row | 31.3.55. | | Occupied |
| 8 Crib Street | 20.10.37. | | Vacant |
| 16/18 Crib St. (one house) | 26.7.33. | | Offices |
| 22 Crib Street | 26.9.55. | H.C.C. purchased for relief road. | Vacant |
| 34/36 Crib St. (one house) | 31.3.55. | | Vacant |
| 6 Church Street | 6.10.58. | | School store |
| 22 Church Street | 25.3.57. | | Vacant |
| 50a Church Street | 24.2.58. | | 2 F.flat (Vacant) |
| 1 East Street | 28.3.60. | Business conversion 1967. | Vacant |
| 8 East Street | 28.1.63. | | Cine Club |
| 106/8 High St. (one house) | 18.11.53. | | Wireless repairs |
| 46 Star Street | 7.10.63. | | Vacant |
| 48 Star Street | 24.7.61. | | Vacant |

## ANALYSIS OF UNFIT HOUSES (CONTD).

Undertakings not to relet accepted (Cont).

| Address | Date | | Occupation |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1a West Street | 24.3.58. | | Shop & Offices occupied. |
| 2 West Street | 30.12.57. | Office use ground floor. | Occupied |
| 17 West Street | 19.8.38. | | Vacant |
| 40 Priory Street | 9.3.64. | Council purchased 15.6.64. | Vacant |
| 42 Priory Street | 9.3.64. | Council purchased 2.1.67. | Vacant |

No. of houses (21)

Areas represented by M.O.H. but not declared - 27.7.59.

| Address | | |
|---|---|---|
| 17-18 Church Street (one house) | | Occupied |
| 23 Church Street | | Vacant |
| 25 Church Street | | Occupied |
| 33 Church Street | | Occupied |
| 34 Church Street | H.C.C. purchased for relief road. | Vacant |
| 35 Church Street | | Occupied |
| 36 Church Street | H.C.C. purchased for relief road. | Vacant |
| 10 Crib Street | | Occupied |
| 20 Crib Street | | Vacant |
| 26 Crib Street | H.C.C. purchased for relief road. | Occupied |
| 28 Crib Street | | Occupied |
| 30 Crib Street | Undertaking sought | Vacant |
| 42 Crib Street | | Occupied |

No. of houses (13)

Unfit houses in probable redevelopment area - report to Council 9.3.1964.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 62 Crib Street | | Demolished 1966 |
| 2 Francis Road | | Demolished 1966 |
| 3 Francis Road | | Demolished 1966 |
| 5 Princes Street | Council purchased 26.1.67. | Occupied |
| 9 Princes Street | Rehoused December, 1966 | Re-occupied |

No, of houses (5)

## ANALYSIS OF UNFIT HOUSES (CONTD).

### Undertakings accepted to make fit

| | Date | |
|---|---|---|
| 65 Crib Street | 1953 | Mr. Allen, owner/occupier doing work. |
| 55 High Oak Road | March, 1963 | Improvements in hand. |
| 63 High Oak Road | March, 1963 | Improvements in hand. |
| 14b Baldock Street | 12.8.63. | Closed following part repair |

No. of houses (4)

### Other Houses

| | |
|---|---|
| 28, 30, 32, 34 Baldock Street | H.C.C. purchased for relief road. |
| 25 Crib Street | H.C.C. purchased for relief road. |

# HOUSING PROGRESS

## NEW HOUSING BY PRIVATE ENTERPRISE

| | During 1966 |
|---|---|
| New dwellings erected. | 96 |
| Conversions or adaptions in terms of family units. | NIL |

## BY LOCAL AUTHORITY

| | |
|---|---|
| New dwellings erected. | 34 |
| Conversions or adaptions in terms of family units. | NIL |

## BY OTHER AUTHORITIES

| | |
|---|---|
| (County Council, Police etc.,) | NIL |

## TOTAL PROPERTIES CONTROLLED BY THE COUNCIL

| | |
|---|---|
| Council Houses | 1,461 |
| Temporary prefabricated bungalows | NIL |
| Sundires (including shops) | 24 |

## CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

| | Cattle excl Cows | Cows | Calves | Sheep and Lambs | Pigs | Goats |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Number killed during 1966 | 1,783 | 437 | 378 | 1,499 | 26,325 | 2 |
| Number killed during 1965 | 2,182 | 209 | 426 | 2,928 | 33,263 | 1 |
| Number inspected during 1966 | 1,693 | 431 | 375 | 1,418 | 24,006 | 2 |
| Number inspected during 1965 | 2,077 | 202 | 393 | 2,896 | 30,636 | - |
| All diseases except Tuberculosis Whole carcases condemned | 3 | 10 | 13 | 20 | 83 | |
| % of the number inspected totally condemned | 0.17 | 2.32 | 3.47 | 1.41 | 0.34 | - |
| Tuberculosis only. Whole carcases condemned. | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| % of the number inspected totally condemned | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Cysticercosis | | | | | | |
| Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned | 15 | 2 | - | - | - | - |
| Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration | 2 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Generalised and totally condemned | - | - | - | - | - | - |

Total Weight of Meat Condemned in lbs.

| | Beef | Mutton | Pork | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| (a) HOME KILLED CARCASE MEAT | | | | |
| Ware Slaughterhouse ... | 7,472 | 699 | 17,468 | 25,639 |
| Other Food Premises ... | 25 | 7 | 25 | 57 |
| (b) IMPORTED CARCASE MEAT | | | | |
| Other Food Premises ... | 37 | - | - | 37 |
| (c) EDIBLE OFFAL (excluding tripes) | | | | |
| Ware Slaughterhouse | 9,710 | 425 | 10,031 | 20,166 |
| Other Food Premises | - | - | - | - |

OTHER FOODS

The following foods were found to be unfit for human consumption and were surrendered:-

| | No. of Containers | Approx. Weight in lbs. |
|---|---|---|
| Tinned fruit, vegetables etc. | 439 | 617 |
| Tinned meat | 31 | 96 |
| Tinned fish | 32 | 16 |
| Tinned milk and cream | 12 | 7 |
| Mineral waters | 22 | 12 |
| Jam and preserves | 13 | 22 |
| Tinned puddings | 14 | 23 |
| Cake and biscuits | 76 | 39 |
| Fresh poultry | 48 | 118 |
| Dried fruit | 63 | 31 |
| Frozen rabbits | 12 | 44 |
| Frozen fish | 162 | 104 |
| Frozen vegetables | 214 | 146 |
| Frozen meat | 89 | 72 |
| Frozen pastry | 21 | 11 |
| | 1,248 | 1,358 |

Condemnation notes issued 691

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949.

REPORT FOR THE 12 MONTHS TO 31st DECEMBER, 1966.

| | TYPE OF PROPERTY | |
|---|---|---|
| | NON-AGRICULTURAL | AGRICULTURAL |
| 1. Number of properties in the district | 5,216 | 7 |
| 2.(a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification | 59 | NIL |
| (b) Number infested by i) rats | 42 | NIL |
| ii) mice | 17 | NIL |
| 3.(a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification | 1,943 | 2 |
| (b) Number infestated by i) rats | 138 | NIL |
| ii) mice | 59 | NIL |

4. Number of notices served under Section 4 of the Act ... ... ... NIL

5. Number of cases in which default action taken ... ... ... NIL

6. Legal proceedings ... ... ... NIL

7. Number of 'Block' Control Schemes carried out ... ... ... NIL

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
IN RESPECT OF THE YEAR 1966 FOR THE URBAN
DISTRICT OF WARE IN THE COUNTY OF HERTFORDSHIRE

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration
of the Factories Act, 1961

PART 1 OF THE ACT

1. - INSPECTIONS for the purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

| Premises (1) | Number on Register (2) | Number of | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Inspections (3) | Written notices (4) | Occupiers prosecuted (5) |
| (i) Factories in which Section 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities | 5 | - | NIL | NIL |
| (ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority | 71 | 2 | NIL | NIL |
| (iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) | 8 | 1 | NIL | NIL |
| Total | 84 | 3 | NIL | NIL |

2. - Cases in which DEFECTS were found

| Particulars (1) | Number of cases in which defects were found | | | | Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted. (6) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Found (2) | Remedied (3) | Referred to H.M. Inspector (4) | Referred by H.M. Inspector (5) | |
| Want of cleanliness (s.1) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Overcrowding (s.2) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Unreasonable temp. (s.3) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Inadequate vent. (s.4) | - | - | - | - | - |

| Particulars (1) | Number of cases in which defects were found | | | | Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Found (2) | Remedied (3) | Referred to H.M. Inspector (4) | Referred by H.M. Inspector (5) | |
| neffective drainage of loors (s.6) | - | - | - | - | - |
| anitary conveniences (s.7) a) Insufficient | 1 | - | - | - | - |
| b) Unsuitable or defective | - | - | - | - | - |
| c) Not separate for sexes | - | - | - | - | - |
| ther offences against the ct (not including offences elating to Outwork) | - | - | - | - | - |
| otal | 1 | - | - | - | - |

## PART VIII OF THE ACT

### Outwork

(Sections 133 and 134)

| Nature of work (1) | Section 133 | | | Section 134 | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 133(1)(c) (2) | No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3) | No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists (4) | No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises (5) | Notices served (6) | Prosecutions (7) |
| Wearing apparel, making. | 38 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Paper bags. | 8 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total | 46 | NIL | NIL | NIL | NIL | NIL |